

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Kenichi Kawase et al.  
Appl. No.: 10/716,302  
Conf. No.: 6931  
Filed: November 18, 2003  
Title: ANODE AND BATTERY USING IT  
Art Unit: 1745  
Examiner: Raymond Alejandro  
Docket No.: 112857-442

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated October 3, 2006 please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.